

In 1968.

- Tet Offensive; turning point in public opinion about the VN war; shows VC can strike anywhere at will; not decimated.

- Johnson withdraws from election; cannot speak publically without drawing a protest demo; in last 18 months of term only visits military installations.

- assassination of Martin Luther King (Easter weekend) as he is more involved in labor issues and after explicit anti-imperialist speaking; urban rebellions after his death.

- Expanded student movement; Columbia takeover (major SDS action)/NYC as news and print journalism center, effect in coverage

- Paris, May-June. Student-worker strike threatens DeGaulle govt; military on alert; CP breaks militancy, Maoists emerge.

- assassination of Robert Kennedy, leading liberal contender for Democrats (early summer)

- growth and failure of the Gene McCarthy movement (left-liberal wing of Democratic Party.)

- third long hot summer of ghetto uprisings

- Chicago Democratic Convention, nominates Humphrey while police riot attack demonstrators on tv.

- Election of Richard Nixon. (represents Republican middle and corporate liberal wing.)